[No. 32]

(SB 815)

AN ACT to amend 1976 PA 220, entitled "An act to define the civil rights of persons with disabilities; to prohibit discriminatory practices, policies, and customs in the exercise of those rights; to prescribe penalties and to provide remedies; and to provide for the promulgation of rules," by amending sections 201 and 202 (MCL 37.1201 and 37.1202), section 201 as amended by 1990 PA 121 and section 202 as amended by 1998 PA 20.

The People of the State of Michigan enact:

37.1201 Definitions. [M.S.A. 3.550(201)]

Sec. 201. As used in this article:

- (a) "Employee" does not include an individual employed in domestic service of any person.
- (b) "Employer" means a person who has 1 or more employees or a person who as contractor or subcontractor is furnishing material or performing work for the state or a governmental entity or agency of the state and includes an agent of such a person.
- (c) "Employment agency" means a person regularly undertaking with or without compensation to procure employees for an employer or to procure for employees opportunities to work for an employer and includes an agent of such a person.
- (d) "Genetic information" means information about a gene, gene product, or inherited characteristic of an individual derived from the individual's family history or a genetic test.
- (e) "Genetic test" means the analysis of human DNA, RNA, chromosomes, and those proteins and metabolites used to detect heritable or somatic disease-related genotypes or karyotypes for clinical purposes. A genetic test must be generally accepted in the scientific and medical communities as being specifically determinative for the presence, absence, or mutation of a gene or chromosome in order to qualify under this definition. Genetic test does not include a routine physical examination or a routine analysis including, but not limited to, a chemical analysis of body fluids unless conducted specifically to determine the presence, absence, or mutation of a gene or chromosome.
 - (f) "Labor organization" includes:
- (i) An organization of any kind, an agency or employee representation committee, group, association, or plan in which employees participate and which exists for the purpose, in whole or in part, of dealing with employers concerning grievances, labor disputes, wages, rates of pay, hours, or other terms or conditions of employment.
- (ii) A conference, general committee, joint or system board, or joint council which is subordinate to a national or international labor organization.
 - (iii) An agent of a labor organization.
- 37.1202 Employer; prohibited conduct; exceptions; access to genetic information. [M.S.A. 3.550(202)]
 - Sec. 202. (1) Except as otherwise required by federal law, an employer shall not:
- (a) Fail or refuse to hire, recruit, or promote an individual because of a disability or genetic information that is unrelated to the individual's ability to perform the duties of a particular job or position.

- (b) Discharge or otherwise discriminate against an individual with respect to compensation or the terms, conditions, or privileges of employment, because of a disability or genetic information that is unrelated to the individual's ability to perform the duties of a particular job or position.
- (c) Limit, segregate, or classify an employee or applicant for employment in a way which deprives or tends to deprive an individual of employment opportunities or otherwise adversely affects the status of an employee because of a disability or genetic information that is unrelated to the individual's ability to perform the duties of a particular job or position.
- (d) Fail or refuse to hire, recruit, or promote an individual on the basis of physical or mental examinations that are not directly related to the requirements of the specific job.
- (e) Discharge or take other discriminatory action against an individual on the basis of physical or mental examinations that are not directly related to the requirements of the specific job.
- (f) Fail or refuse to hire, recruit, or promote an individual when adaptive devices or aids may be utilized thereby enabling that individual to perform the specific requirements of the job.
- (g) Discharge or take other discriminatory action against an individual when adaptive devices or aids may be utilized thereby enabling that individual to perform the specific requirements of the job.
- (h) Require an individual to submit to a genetic test or to provide genetic information as a condition of employment or promotion.
- (2) Subsection (1) does not prohibit an individual from voluntarily providing to an employer genetic information that is related to the employee's health or safety in the workplace. Subsection (1) does not prohibit an employer from using genetic information received from an employee under this subsection to protect the employee's health or safety.
- (3) This section shall not apply to the employment of an individual by his or her parent, spouse, or child.
- (4) Except as otherwise provided in subsection (2), no employer may directly or indirectly acquire or have access to any genetic information concerning an employee or applicant for employment, or a member of the employee's or applicant's family.

This act is ordered to take immediate effect. Approved March 14, 2000. Filed with Secretary of State March 15, 2000.